

Boston, July 24, 1847.

Dear George:

We have been greatly distressed at home to hear of the sad calamity that has befallen your dear wife and children, by being thrown out of a carriage. Under all the circumstances, it is, perhaps, remarkable that no life was lost, and no limbs broken. But the contusions received, especially by Catherine, appear to have been severe and dangerous. The fortitude which she displayed, through all her sufferings, according to dear Sarah's letter, was entirely characteristic, and shows her to be one of ten thousand. Do let us hear from you, in regard to her present situation - how she is getting along, how the children are doing, and whether there will be left any permanent marks of the catastrophe.

Helen can feel a most lively sympathy for Catherine, having also been a sufferer in a similar manner. She joins with me in tendering to her the warmest sympathies.

Enclosed is a letter just received from our excellent friend Olive Gilbert. Please put ^{it} into Sarah's hands, who will be glad to peruse it, and who will answer it, if it be in her power. Our affectionate regards to her, with our yearning desires for her complete restoration to health. Tell her that Samuel J. May left Boston for Syracuse yesterday afternoon, having had a very gratifying visit among his friends.

Ever yours, W^m. Lloyd Garrison.



George W. Benson,
Northampton,
Mass.